

REMARKS

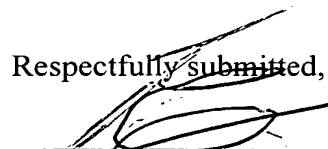
The allowability of claims 2, 15 and 16 is acknowledged appreciatively and accepted by combining these claims with their parents. Claim 2 is combined with claim 1, claim 15 is combined with claim 14 and claims 14 and 16 are combined as new claim 25.

All the other claims, whether already found allowable or not, become allowable with these claims by dependence, new claims 26 - 33 that depend from claim 25 corresponding to claims 17 - 24 that continue to depend from now-allowable claim 14.

These combinations of claims should not raise any Festo-like limitations despite some thinking to the contrary, because no previously claimed limitation is being narrowed nor any claim limitation added, particularly in the case of the combination of original claim 15 with claim 14.

Reconsideration and allowance are, therefore, requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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